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1	5 K O C E E D T M G 2
2	9:36 a.m.
3	JUDGE SIPPEL: This morning we are to take the
4	testimony of Mr. Howard Barr. Are there and I noticed,
5	Mr. Barr, that you are represented by Mr. Gutmann?
6	MR. GUTMANN: Peter Gutmann, Your Honor, with the
7	law firm of Pepper and Corazzini.
8	JUDGE SIPPEL: Okay. Are there any preliminary
9	matters?
10	MR. WEBER: Yes, Your Honor. If you recall
11	yesterday, we, the Bureau, were requesting a new schedule,
12	and the parties have worked out a schedule, and we would
13	like to propose it to you at this time.
14	JUDGE SIPPEL: Go right ahead.
15	MR. WEBER: On the 7th of February, all proposed
16	corrections to the transcript would be submitted. On the
17	14th of February, Liberty will file its opposition to Time
18	Warner's motion regarding discovery. On the 21st of
19	February, the Bureau, Time Warner, and Cablevision would
20	file their reply to Liberty's opposition to the discovery
21	motion.
22	JUDGE SIPPEL: That's 21 February?
23	MR. WEBER: Yes, Your Honor.
24	JUDGE SIPPEL: Got it.
25	MR. WEBER: On the 28th of February, all parties
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- will file their proposed findings of fact and conclusions of
- law; and on the 7th of March, their replies to those
- 3 proposed findings would be filed.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: Okay. One week before the Ides of
- 5 March. That's certainly acceptable to me, and I will set
- that down in an order, if not this afternoon, by tomorrow.
- 7 MR. WEBER: Thank you, Your Honor.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: You're welcome. Do we have
- 9 anything else? I'm sorry, Mr. Spitzer?
- MR. SPITZER: Just one very small matter, Your
- 11 Honor. There had been a request for Mr. Barr's desk
- 12 calendar, and we have distributed copies to counsel. It is
- 13 Bates number FCC/CP017979, and we just handed that out this
- 14 morning.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: Thank you. Will there be any --
- does anybody anticipate at this point whether or not it will
- 17 be used for examination purposes? The reason that I raise
- 18 that is because of marking, and copies to the reporter. No?
- 19 I will take that as nobody knows yet.
- MR. SPITZER: I'm trying to figure that out, Your
- 21 Honor.
- 22 JUDGE SIPPEL: Yeah, that's all right. That's
- okay. We will take it as we come to it. I have some things
- that I want to go over, but I'm going to wait until after
- Mr. Barr's testimony is completed. I mean, it is more in

- the nature of administrative and some standards that I
- believe should be applicable in proposed findings.
- Do we anticipate that Mr. Barr can be completed
- 4 this morning, or hoping?
- 5 MR. SPITZER: We will not be an impediment to
- 6 that, Your Honor.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: All right. Thank you, Mr. Spitzer.
- 8 I'll accept that. Very well. Then let's proceed. Produce
- 9 your witness, please.
- MR. SPITZER: Liberty Cable calls Mr. Howard Barr.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: Mr. Spitzer.
- MR. SPITZER: Thank you, Your Honor.
- Whereupon,
- 14 HOWARD J. BARR
- was called as a witness, and having been first
- 16 duly sworn, was examined and testified as follows:
- 17 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 18 BY MR. SPITZER:
- 19 Q Mr. Barr, could you please state for us for the
- record your full name, and your home and business addresses?
- 21 A Howard J. Barr, and my home is 910 Elm Avenue,
- 22 Takoma Park, Maryland. My business is 1776 K Street,
- 23 Northwest, Washington.
- Q And the name of the firm by which you are
- 25 employed?

- 1 A Pepper and Corazzini, L.L.P.
- 2 Q Could you please tell us what your educational
- 3 background is?
- A I received my undergraduate degree in 1983 from
- 5 Ogelthorpe University, and my Juris Doctor from the
- 6 University of Louisville in 1986.
- 7 Q Could you tell us, please, what your first job was
- 8 where you were employed as an attorney?
- 9 A I clerked for a Judge.
- 10 Q And which Judge, and where?
- 11 A It's Judge Vince Emea, and he was a State Court
- 12 Judge in Maryland.
- 13 Q And the dates of that employment roughly?
- 14 A The summer of -- I believe it was June of '87
- 15 until June of '88.
- 16 Q Subsequent to clerking for the Judge, what was
- 17 your next legal position?
- 18 A I went from there right to Pepper and Corazzini.
- 19 Q As an associate or as a partner?
- 20 A As an associate.
- Q When did you become a partner of Pepper and
- 22 Corazzini?
- 23 A March of '96.
- Q Could you describe for us briefly, please, what
- 25 the nature of your practice was from 1988 when you joined

- 1 Pepper and Corazzini through the present?
- 2 A Yes. Well, broadly, communications. When I first
- 3 came to the firm, I worked largely on broadcast related
- 4 matters. That changed in about mid-'92 when I started to
- focus on more non-broadcast matters.
- 6 Q And after that the focus then became what, if
- 7 there was a specific focus?
- 8 A Mostly representation of our cable, and our cable
- 9 clients, and for alternative cable clients.
- 10 Q Was Liberty Cable Company a client of the firm
- when you arrived at the firm in 1988?
- 12 A I believe it was, yes.
- 13 Q Since roughly early '94, approximately how many
- 14 clients have you worked for?
- 15 A Since '94? You know, I can't place a specific
- number on it. You know, 40 or more, more than likely.
- 17 Q At what point in time did you begin to do a
- 18 substantial amount of work for Liberty Cable Company?
- 19 A It wasn't until the spring of '94 that I started
- 20 to do substantial work for them.
- 21 Q And at that point in time were you the senior
- attorney doing regular work for Liberty Cable?
- 23 A Well, in '94, my work for Liberty was related to
- 24 copyright matters. So, I'm not sure that I completely
- 25 understand your question.

1	Q Why don't we do this? Why don't we limit
2	questioning from now on to the period in the spring of '94
3	to the end of April of '95 time frame, just for the sake of
4	clarity. Why don't you tell us what the nature of the work
5	was that you did for Liberty in that time frame?
6	A Well, the firm was responsible for Liberty's
7	applications for 18 Gigahertz (GHZ) authorizations. That
8	was not my primary responsibility. In '94, an associate of
9	ours by the name of Jennifer Richter was primarily
10	responsible for that. As I said, I started to get
11	substantially involved with Liberty in the spring of '94
12	with regard to copyright matters.
13	Q Did Ms. Richter leave the firm at some point in
14	'94?
15	A Yes. She left in mid-'94.
16	Q And did somebody else join Pepper and Corazzini,
17	and essentially take over her position then?
18	A Yes. Michael Lehmkuhl arrived at the firm
19	approximately with Jennifer's leaving. There might have
20	been some overlap, or there might not have been, but he
21	assumed the work from Jennifer, the application type work
22	that Jennifer had been doing.
23	Given Michael's newness, I assumed some
24	supervisory authority over his preparation of those
25	applications, but he was by and large exclusively

- 1 responsible for the preparation. I would look at them
- 2 before they went out to make sure that the i's had been
- doted, and the t's had been crossed, and such like that.
- 4 Q You have referred to copyright work that you did,
- and an application process that Mr. Lehmkuhl handled. Other
- 6 than those two large substantive areas, was there other work
- 7 that Pepper and Corazzini did for Liberty Cable?
- 8 A No.
- 9 Q Was there any general policy advisory role that
- 10 Pepper and Corazzini played?
- 11 A No. The only type policy work that we had ever
- really done for Liberty was in the late '80s with respect to
- opening up the 18 Gigahertz (GHZ) band to the type of
- 14 service Liberty provided. Todd Parriott, of our firm,
- filed the petition for rule making to open up the 18
- 16 Gigahertz (GHZ) band.
- And he did a lot of work with respect to that, but
- beyond that, we didn't really have any policy type
- relationship with Liberty, or at least I didn't.
- Q Did anybody assist you with respect to the
- 21 copyright work that you were doing?
- 22 A Yes. I had an associate that was doing some of
- 23 the more administerial work with respect to that, Chuck
- 24 Keller, who is no longer with us.
- 25 Q And did he work with Mr. Lehmkuhl in any way on

- the 18 Gigahertz (GHZ) applications?
- 2 A No.
- 3 Q Again, during the period that I have referred to,
- 4 which was the spring of '94 through the end of April of '95,
- 5 can you describe for us what contact, if any, you had with
- 6 Howard Milstein?
- 7 A In that time frame, I don't think I ever spoke
- 8 with Howard Milstein.
- 9 Q Had you met him prior to the spring of '94?
- 10 A No. I have never met Howard Milstein.
- 11 Q Can you describe for us your contact with Edward
- 12 Milstein during this same time frame?
- 13 A I've had probably several contacts with Edward,
- 14 mostly related to the copyright work that we were doing for
- them. I met Edward on one occasion, and that was for a
- meeting with the Motion Picture Association.
- 17 O And what was the substantive issue?
- 18 A Copyright related.
- 19 Q Could you tell us again during the same time frame
- 20 what your -- what the regularity, if there was any
- 21 regularity, was with respect to your contact with Peter
- 22 Price?
- 23 A There was no regular contact. It wasn't as if
- 24 Peter and I had a -- you know, a weekly call. We spoke
- about the copyright matters on an as needed basis.

- 1 Q Beyond that was there any contact with Peter --
- 2 with Mr. Price?
- 3 A No.
- 4 O Could you tell us what your contact was with Mr.
- 5 Behrooz Nourain, again during this same time frame?
- A Also very limited. I met Behrooz once, and I
- 7 believe it was in the late summer or early fall of '94. He
- 8 happened to be in town, and Michael was new to the firm, and
- 9 he came by primarily to meet Michael, and also to talk to us
- about the possibility of obtaining a cars (phonetic)
- authorization for another service that they were
- 12 considering.
- 13 Q I would like to focus now on the period of January
- of '95, early January of '95, through the end of April of
- 15 '95. Did you during that time frame discuss with anybody at
- 16 Liberty the petitions to deny that Time Warner had filed?
- 17 A Well, I initially discussed them with Peter Price
- 18 when the first one hit my desk in early January.
- 19 Q Do you remember what the substance of that
- 20 conversation was?
- 21 A Like upon receiving it, I recall calling Peter,
- 22 and letting him know that this had been filed. I think I
- generally briefed him on the sum and substance of the
- 24 allegations. He asked me what the effect of this was, and I
- stated in general, I think, that a petition to deny is going

- to slow down the application process. It is going to delay
- a grant of the applications that were petitioned.
- 3 Q Do you know if you spoke with anybody else at
- 4 Liberty Cable about the petitions over the course of the
- 5 first three months or four months of 1995?
- A At Liberty Cable? No, not between April and that
- 7 January. No, I didn't speak to anybody.
- 8 Q Did there come a time when you found out that
- 9 Liberty Cable Company was providing service prematurely on
- 10 paths that had not been authorized?
- 11 A Yes.
- 12 Q Do you remember when you found that out?
- 13 A I believe it was April 22nd.
- 14 Q Could you describe for us -- let me withdraw that.
- Before that date did you have any idea that there was
- 16 premature service being provided by Liberty Cable?
- 17 A No.
- 18 Q Before that date had you heard anybody suggest
- 19 that there was premature service?
- 20 A No.
- 21 Q If you could describe for us the events on June
- 7th that led to this discovery on your part?
- 23 A I attended a meeting at Henry Rivera's office at
- 24 Ginsberg, Feldman and Bress. I was there, and Henry was
- there, and Lloyd Constantine from your firm was there, and

- 1 Larry Solomon, also of the Ginsberg firm, may or may not
- 2 have been there. I can't recall.
- We had a conference call with Peter Price, and --
- 4 to discuss a number of issues, I think, relevant to the
- 5 petitions. And during the course of that conversation,
- 6 Peter expressed that service was being provided to a number
- of locations for which no authorizations had been granted.
- 8 Q Could you tell us -- again, what was, to the best
- 9 of your recollection, was the reason that the conference
- 10 call had been initiated originally?
- 11 A Concern about where matters stood. The petitions
- had been filed in early January, and here it is late April.
- Nobody could say with any degree of certainty when the
- 14 petitions might be acted upon, and when the applications
- 15 might be acted upon.
- And so the conference was to discuss -- really
- 17 though to discuss those issues. There had been concern
- about the delays that were already experienced, and it
- 19 appeared would continue to be experienced.
- Q And again you may have testified to this already,
- 21 but where was Mr. Price, if you know?
- A He wasn't in the room. I think he was in New
- 23 York.
- Q Okay. So there were three, or possibly four, of
- you at Mr. Rivera's firm, and Peter Price was, you think, in

- New York, but certainly not there?
- 2 A Right.
- 3 Q Do you remember how he raised or what he said when
- 4 he raised the issue of potentially premature service?
- 5 A I don't recall specifically what initiated his
- 6 relaying that information, but I just seem to recall that he
- 7 indicated that they were -- that Liberty was operating at
- 8 several locations.
- 9 Q What was your reaction when you heard this?
- 10 A Shock.
- 11 Q And do you remember what Mr. Rivera's reaction
- 12 was?
- 13 A About the same.
- 14 O And Mr. Constantine's reaction?
- 15 A You know, also concern; a little more measured
- than ours. I think Lloyd tends to be skeptical of things
- 17 that he hears.
- 18 Q When the issue arose was there certainty that
- 19 there was premature service or was this an issue that needed
- to be pursued?
- 21 A No, I don't think that there was really any
- 22 certainty. I -- again, when Peter expressed that service
- was being provided to these locations, I conveyed to him
- 24 that this was a serious violation, assuming that it is true.
- 25 I recall Peter being somewhat taken back by this, and --

1	JUDGE	SIPPEL:	Peter	being	${\tt Mr.}$	Price?

- THE WITNESS: Peter Price, yes; and it being
- discussed that there was a need to look into this, and,
- number one, determine if it was really true; and, number
- 5 two, determine how and why it happened.
- BY MR. SPITZER:
- 7 Q And was there any understanding about the
- 8 necessity of reporting this to any government regulatory
- 9 agencies?
- 10 A Yes, I think so. I think I had conveyed at that
- time that ideally service would be discontinued to these
- locations, and that the Commission ought to be apprised of
- 13 the situation.
- 14 Q Was there --
- 15 A And I think there was a general sense that the
- 16 Commission -- there was a general agreement that, yes, the
- 17 Commission did need to be appraised of this. But by the
- same token, it needed to be investigated, and that such a
- 19 divulgence wouldn't take place that afternoon, or -- you
- 20 know, wouldn't take place until the facts were discovered.
- 21 Q Who subsequently undertook to investigate the
- issues that had been raised in this conference call?
- 23 A The onus was placed primarily, I think, on Mr.
- 24 Price. He was in New York, and all of the relevant
- documentation and information was in New York.

Why was it that if your firm was responsible for

So it was your view and the consensus on that date

- filing license applications and handling that aspect of 2 3 Liberty's licensure that you didn't have the information in your office? 4 5 Well, again, that's all we really did, was prepare 6 the applications. I think we were -- and again Michael was 7 largely responsible for the application preparation, but we 8 didn't have information, any information really relevant to it other than when applications were filed. We had licenses 10 in our files, but since those went directly to Liberty from 11 the Commission and not to us, we relied on Liberty to 12 provide us copies of their licenses. 13 So -- excuse me -- if Liberty didn't send us a 14 copy of a license, well then we likely didn't have it in our 15 files.
- 19 A Yes

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Q And do I understand that you -- did you have any

that Liberty would theoretically at least have the more

- records at your firm of what paths Liberty had activated?
- 22 A No.
- Q Did you tell Mr. Lehmkuhl about this issue on the
- 24 27th or the 28th to the best of your recollection?
- 25 (Continued on next page.)

complete file of licenses?

- 1 A I don't recall doing that.
- 2 O Do you recall that on May 4th you filed a series
- of STAs on behalf of Liberty Cable?
- 4 A What year are we talking about?
- 5 Q 1995. I'm sorry. All of this, Your Honor, is
- 6 1995.
- 7 A Yes, I recall that STAs were filed then.
- 8 Q Who was involved in drafting those STAs?
- 9 A Mr. Lehmkuhl, I've reviewed them after Michael
- 10 drafted them. Though I -- we discussed I think the general
- course probably, the subjects that should be addressed.
- 12 Henry Rivera reviewed them. Peter Price reviewed them. I
- think Lloyd, copies were sent to your office as well to Mr.
- 14 Constantine.
- 15 O Did those STAs disclose that there was premature
- service on some of the paths with respect to which the STAs
- 17 were being filed?
- 18 A No.
- 19 Q Why not?
- 20 A Still at that time I don't think the sum and
- 21 substance of the commencement of service was fully fleshed
- out. And there was a sense that not to sort of divulge this
- on a -- on a piece meal ongoing basis. To try and gather
- 24 what could be gathered and divulge it as far as possible all
- 25 at once.

- 1 Q Do you recall if there was a surreply a document
- 2 entitled a surreply filed with the Commission filed on May
- 3 17 of 1995?
- 4 A Yes, I recall that.
- 5 Q Who -- who was involved in drafting that document?
- A Largely the same people. Myself, Henry Rivera,
- 7 probably Larry Solomon. I think he was doing was fairly
- 8 involved over at Ginsberg. Lloyd Constantine, Leslie
- 9 Spasser as well of your firm. And -- and of course well
- 10 Peter Price and Behrooz Nourain supplied the -- the
- 11 substantive information that was conveyed through that
- 12 filing.
- 13 Q Do you recall whether in that document, the May
- 14 17th surreply there was a disclosure about premature
- 15 service?
- 16 A Yes, that was the purpose.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: Was that the first disclosure to
- 18 the Commission?
- 19 THE WITNESS: Yes, sir.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: And on your -- the conference call,
- 21 was it -- who initiated that conference call? April 27th?
- THE WITNESS: I'm not sure who arranged it. It
- was -- in -- it was a prearranged conference. In terms of
- 24 who made the phone call, I'm not sure.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: So you went over to the Ginsberg

- law firm knowing that you were going over there for the
- 2 purpose of having a conference call?
- 3 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: Was that the purpose?
- 5 THE WITNESS: Yes, and for the purpose of meeting
- 6 with Lloyd and Henry, yes.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: About the -- the subject of that
- 8 meeting was the -- the petitions?
- 9 THE WITNESS: Yes. I --
- 10 JUDGE SIPPEL: Wait just a second please.
- 11 THE WITNESS: I'm sorry.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: Was that a -- was that a conference
- call that was set up in a -- a -- in a -- a regular way? I
- 14 mean in the sense that you knew -- how early before the
- 15 conference call was going to take place were you notified
- 16 about it so that you could, you know, arrange your time and
- 17 what not?
- 18 THE WITNESS: I think it was that week. But I
- 19 can't really be sure. I say I wrote it down on my calendar
- 20 that this conference was to take place, but I don't really
- 21 recall what day of the week I was asked if I could attend
- or, you know, advised that I was going to attend.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: Then -- but it was a -- a-- there
- 24 was a situation that you were --
- THE WITNESS: It was at least a day before.

- JUDGE SIPPEL: -- notified -- at least a day
- 2 before or so?
- THE WITNESS: Right. I wrote it on my calendar.
- 4 If I had been called that day, I likely wouldn't have put it
- 5 on my calendar.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: And were you told at that time what
- 7 the purpose of the meeting was? In other words, when you
- 8 made -- when you set it up on your calendar, did you -- were
- 9 you told what the purpose of the meeting was?
- 10 THE WITNESS: Specifically told -- it was to
- 11 discuss the petitions that had been filed and -- and --
- JUDGE SIPPEL: You were -- that's what you were
- 13 told?
- 14 THE WITNESS: That was my understanding, yes.
- 15 JUDGE SIPPEL: Well how'd you get the
- understanding? Somebody told you? You were not setting
- 17 this conference up I take it.
- 18 THE WITNESS: No I didn't set the conference up.
- 19 I think -- I think it was Lloyd who set it up, but you know
- 20 I can't be sure about that. But it was -- the purpose was
- 21 to discuss -- discuss the petitions. Again they -- the
- 22 petitions had been out there for several months. And there
- 23 was a concern about when -- when action might be taken on
- the applications and the -- and the petitions.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: Well was there any urgency to --

- when -- to the notification that you received?
- 2 THE WITNESS: Any urgency for the notification for
- 3 the meeting? No. I think it was convenient to do it that
- 4 day because I believe Lloyd was in town on other business.
- 5 Mr. Constantine, Lloyd Constantine.
- 6 BY MR. SPITZER:
- 7 Q Do you recall if on the 27th that there were
- 8 already drafts of STAs that were being reviewed and edited?
- 9 A I believe that the STA process had already
- 10 commenced, yes.
- 11 Q I just have two final questions. Does anybody at
- 12 Liberty again in this time frame of -- did anybody at
- 13 Liberty from Spring of '94 through the end of April '95, let
- 14 you know before a building was going to be activate?
- 15 A No.
- 16 Q Did anybody ask your permission -- by your I mean
- either you or anybody at Pepper & Corazzini?
- 18 A No. Permission to --
- 19 Q Activate a building?
- 20 A No.
- 21 Q Did anybody, to your knowledge at Pepper &
- 22 Corazzini retain a list of buildings that had been
- 23 activated?
- 24 A No.
- 25 Q I have nothing further, Your Honor.

- BARR DIRECT
- JUDGE SIPPEL: I just have one -- one question.
- One or two questions before Mr. Beckner begins cross
- 3 examination.
- What was the -- what was the relationship -- let
- 5 me be a little bit more specific. Was there a -- was your
- firm on retainer with Liberty? I don't want to get into the
- 7 details but were you -- was that the nature of the
- 8 relationship that you had with Liberty?
- 9 THE WITNESS: No we did not have a -- they did not
- 10 have a retainer with us, no.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: Did they just call you up any time
- 12 for advice? I mean "you" being, you know, Pepper &
- 13 Corazzini? Whatever they might need.
- 14 THE WITNESS: Right. Peter could call me about
- something and that -- then I would bill him for that call.
- 16 JUDGE SIPPEL: So it would be -- well. Were --
- were the calls being made, were such calls being made on any
- 18 kind of a -- regularity? With any degree of regularity I
- mean unless the -- obviously if the situation came up and
- 20 you were calling on that situation, but I'm saying was there
- 21 a regular flow of contacts between you and -- your firm and
- 22 Liberty on legal matters in general?
- Or was it just when things came up they would call
- 24 you?
- 25 THE WITNESS: Well I -- I think between me and

- 1 Liberty, no. I did not have a regular course of conduct
- with everybody at Liberty such as, you know, Peter and I did
- 3 not have a weekly phone conversation. Peter Price and I did
- 4 not have a weekly or even monthly conversations to discuss,
- 5 you know, things that were going on at Liberty, things that
- 6 were going on, you know, at the Commission or in
- 7 telecommunications in general.
- We didn't have that type of relationship. I think
- 9 Michael and Behrooz conversed probably fairly regularly with
- 10 respect to Liberty's application process. It seemed like
- 11 that was a a never ending job for Michael.
- 12 JUDGE SIPPEL: Who's client -- who's client was
- the -- was the Liberty account attributed to? I'm sorry. I
- 14 didn't say that right. Who at the firm was -- was
- responsible for the -- for the Liberty account as a client?
- THE WITNESS: Well I was again, beginning in that
- 17 '94 time frame, you know, I assumed more of a supervisory
- 18 role with regard to Liberty. Prior to '94 I had little or
- 19 some contact with the client, not a great deal at that time.
- 20 From -- from about '92 until -- from mid '92 to
- 21 say mid '94 Jennifer Richter of our firm was largely
- 22 responsible for the account. Prior to then it was Todd
- 23 Parriott.
- 24 JUDGE SIPPEL: But was there anybody -- was there
- 25 a partner at Liberty during this time period, '94 -- '95 who